

40677 to 40770—Continued. (Quoted notes by Mr. F. N. Meyer.)

melting. Of poor keeping quality. Probably derived from a local wild species."

40728. PYRUS CHINENSIS Lindl.

"(No. 2253a. Pingliang, Kansu, China. January 16, 1915.) Local large pears of several varieties, all of hard flesh. To be sown to obtain new types, possibly."

40729. MALUS sp. Malaceæ.

Crab apple.

"(No. 2254a. Sianfu, Shensi, China. August 30, 1914.) Crab apples of various sizes, purchased on the streets of Sianfu. To be tested in comparatively dry regions."

40730. COTONEASTER sp. Malaceæ.

"(No. 2255a. Near Kagoba, south of Siku, Kansu, China. November 1, 1914.) A tall-growing vigorous species of Cotoneaster with rather large leaves and large dark-violet berries. Found on rocky cliffs and ledges. Of value as an ornamental shrub for parks and gardens. Collected at an altitude of 6,000 feet above the sea."

40731. ALBIZZIA sp. Mimosaceæ.

"(No. 2256a. Near Yaopuko, near Chenghsien, Kansu, China. October 6, 1914.) A medium-sized ornamental tree, with large, feathery foliage, bearing tufts of yellowish white flowers. Found on mountain slopes of decomposed rock. Roots sent in under No. 1211 [S. P. I. No. 38285]."

40732. LESPEDEZA sp. Fabaceæ.

"(No. 2257a. Near Kanchuan, Kansu, China. October 9, 1914.) A small shrub, found on loess mountain slopes. Of value as a soil binder and possibly as a fodder shrub for sandy regions."

40733. VITIS sp. Vitaceæ.

Grape.

"(No. 2258a. Near Chaolienli, near Fenghsien, Shensi, China. September 17, 1914.) Wild grapes found among tall scrub. The same remarks apply to it as to No. 2164a [S. P. I. No. 40026]."

40734 and 40735. COTONEASTER spp. Malaceæ.

40734. "(No. 2259a. Near Taipintze, near Taochow, Kansu, China. November 29, 1914.) A very small shrub, found at altitudes between 6,000 and 11,000 feet above the sea, crawling between stones and grass. Of value as a rockery plant for cold regions. Chinese name *Lao wan shan shu*, meaning 'old creeping mountain tree.'"

40735. "(No. 2260a. Near Paodji, near Siku, Kansu, China. November 6, 1914.) A medium-sized shrub, with small foliage, bearing black berries. Found in stony places at an altitude of 7,000 feet above the sea. Of value as an ornamental garden shrub for cool regions."

40736. PYRACANTHA CRENULATA (Don) Roemer.

(Crataegus crenulata Don.)

"(No. 2261a. Near Yaupuko, near Chenghsien, Kansu, China. October 6, 1914.) A small shrub, with small, orange-colored berries and very small foliage. Found on stony mountain sides. Of value as a very ornamental rockery shrub for those sections of the United States where temperatures do not go down very low. Collected at an altitude of 3,500 feet above the sea."